

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of subscribers in a multicast subscription system via a network, the method comprising:

monitoring ~~[[the]]~~ an activity at a NACK server for recent receipt of NACKs; and
responsive to not recently receiving NACKs at said NACK server, disturbing a flow of data
between a packet sender and said multiplicity of subscribers over said network by creating a NACK
generation incident.

14. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, ~~[[and]]~~ wherein said monitoring includes determining whether or not there are attentive subscribers from ~~[[the]]~~ said activity at said NACK server.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim ~~15 and~~ 13, wherein said ~~disturbing~~ NACK generation incident comprises altering ~~[[the]]~~ sent and pending queues.

17. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim ~~15 and~~ 13, wherein said ~~disturbing~~ NACK generation incident comprises placing a packet that was never transmitted in ~~[[said]]~~ a sent queue ~~which was never transmitted.~~

18. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim ~~15 and~~ 13, wherein said ~~disturbing~~ NACK generation incident comprises altering ~~[[the]]~~ a packet sequence number.

19. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim ~~15 and~~ 13, wherein said ~~disturbing~~ NACK generation incident comprises incrementing ~~[[the]]~~ a packet sequence number relative to ~~[[the]]~~ a sequence of packets that actually need to be sent.

20-40. (Canceled)